# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
# LOK SABHA

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RECOGNITION OF ALTERNATIVE SYSTEM OF MEDICINE
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether his Ministry have written letters to various Ministries of the Union Government suggesting them to include and recognise treatment of Alternative Systems of Medicine like Ayurveda, Homoeopathy and Unani and to introduce Yoga in offices for their employees;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the response of the Ministries thereto?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

(SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM)

(a)&(b) The Department have written letters to various Ministries of the Union Government to popularise Indian system of medicine in their Departments and public sector organisations viz.
(i) Extending facilities for treatment under ISM&H.
(ii) Growing medicinal plants.
(iii) Projects involving women, panchayats and small-scale industries.
(iv) To introduce Yoga.
(v) To offer herbal tea etc.

(c) The responses received so far are encouraging.